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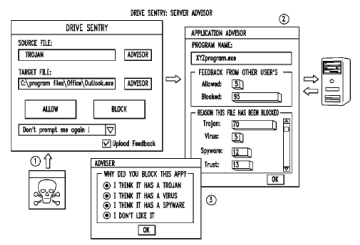
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<p>(12) United States Patent Safa</p> <p>(54) SYSTEM AND METHOD TO SECURE A COMPUTER SYSTEM BY SELECTIVE CONTROL OF WRITE ACCESS TO A DATA STORAGE MEDIUM</p> <p>(75) Inventor: John Safa, Park Estate (GB)</p> <p>(73) Assignee: Drive Sentry, Inc., Mountain View, CA (US)</p> <p>(*) Notice: Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.</p> <p>(21) Appl. No.: 11/858,752</p> <p>(22) Filed: Sep. 20, 2007</p> <p>(65) Prior Publication Data US 2008/0114957 A1 May 15, 2008</p> <p>Related U.S. Application Data</p> <p>(63) Continuation-in-part of application No. 11/292,910, filed on Dec. 1, 2005.</p> <p>(60) Provisional application No. 60/826,377, filed on Sep. 20, 2006.</p> <p>(51) Int. Cl. G06F 12/14 (2006.01)</p> <p>(52) U.S. Cl. 711/163; 711/E12.091; 711/E12.093; 711/E12.096</p> <p>(58) Field of Classification Search 711/163 See application file for complete search history.</p> <p>(56) References Cited U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS 5,410,700 A 4/1995 Fecteau et al. 5,778,432 A * 7/1998 Rubin et al. 711/135 5,825,877 A 10/1998 Dan et al. 5,974,549 A * 10/1999 Golan 726/23</p>	<p>(10) Patent No.: US 7,664,924 B2</p> <p>(45) Date of Patent: Feb. 16, 2010</p> <p>5,991,777 A * 11/1999 Momoh et al. 707/205</p> <p>(Continued)</p> <p>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS GB 2402515 B1 12/2004</p> <p>(Continued)</p> <p>OTHER PUBLICATIONS Norton Internet Security 2000. Manual [online]. Symantec Corporation, 1999 [retrieved on Jan. 29, 2008]. Retrieved from the Internet: <URL: http://webpages.charter.net/cw/mis/pdf/*></p> <p>(Continued)</p> <p>Primary Examiner—Reginald G. Bragdon Assistant Examiner—Larry T. Mackall (74) Attorney, Agent, or Firm—Ted Sabety; Sabety +associates, PLLC</p> <p>(57) ABSTRACT A system and method to securing a computer system from software viruses and other malicious code by intercepting attempts by the malicious code to write data to a storage medium. The invention intercepts the write access requests made by programs and verifies that the program is authorized to write before letting the write proceed. Authorization is determined by using the identity of the program as a query element into a database where permission values are stored. Depending on the presence or value of the permission value, write access is permitted or denied. Permission values can be set by the user, downloaded from a central server, or loaded into the central server by a group of users in order to collectively determine a permission value. The interception code can operate in kernel mode.</p>
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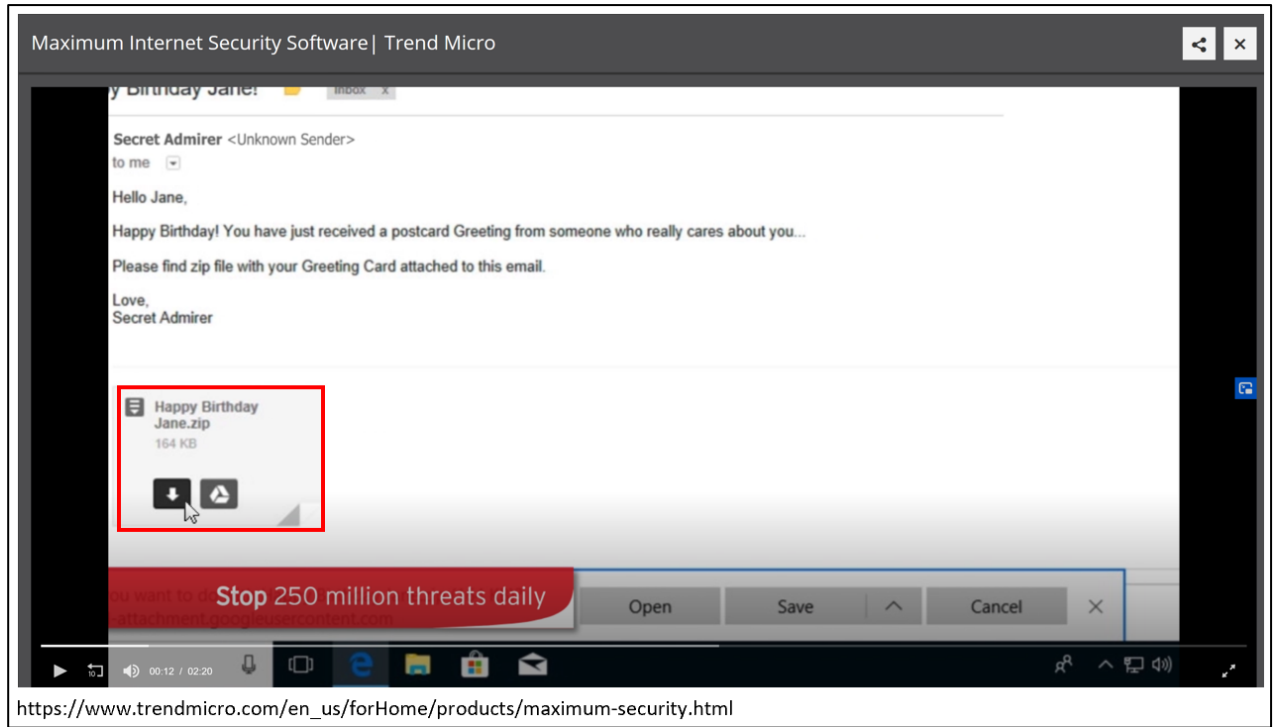
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<p>1[pre] In a computer comprising a storage medium and an application running on said computer, a method of controlling write access to said storage medium by said application comprising:</p>	<p>Trend Micro offers various software that performs the method of claim 1. Specifically, Trend Micro offers many applications to protect against electronic threats such as viruses, ransomware, malware, and the like (collectively “hostile applications”). That software includes but is not limited to, OfficeScan, Endpoint Application Control, Apex One, Antivirus+ Security, Internet Security, and Maximum Security.</p> <p>Trend Micro’s software operates and runs on a computer such as a PC, Mac, or Server with a storage medium such as a hard disk or memory. The software controls write access to the computer’s storage medium to prevent hostile applications from writing to the device, which is a central purpose of the software sold by Trend Micro. As illustrated in the graphic below, Trend Micro’s applications allow safe files while blocking malicious files.</p> <div data-bbox="621 781 1837 1382"> <p>LEGEND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Known Good Data Known Bad Data Unknown Data Noise Cancellation <p>Safe files allowed</p> <p>Malicious files blocked</p> <p>Web and File Reputation Exploit Prevention Application Control Variant Protection</p> <p>Pre-execution Machine Learning</p> <p>Behavioral Analysis Runtime Machine Learning</p> <p>Custom Sandbox Analysis Investigation & Response</p> <p>Datasheet, Trend Micro Office Scan, at 2</p> </div>

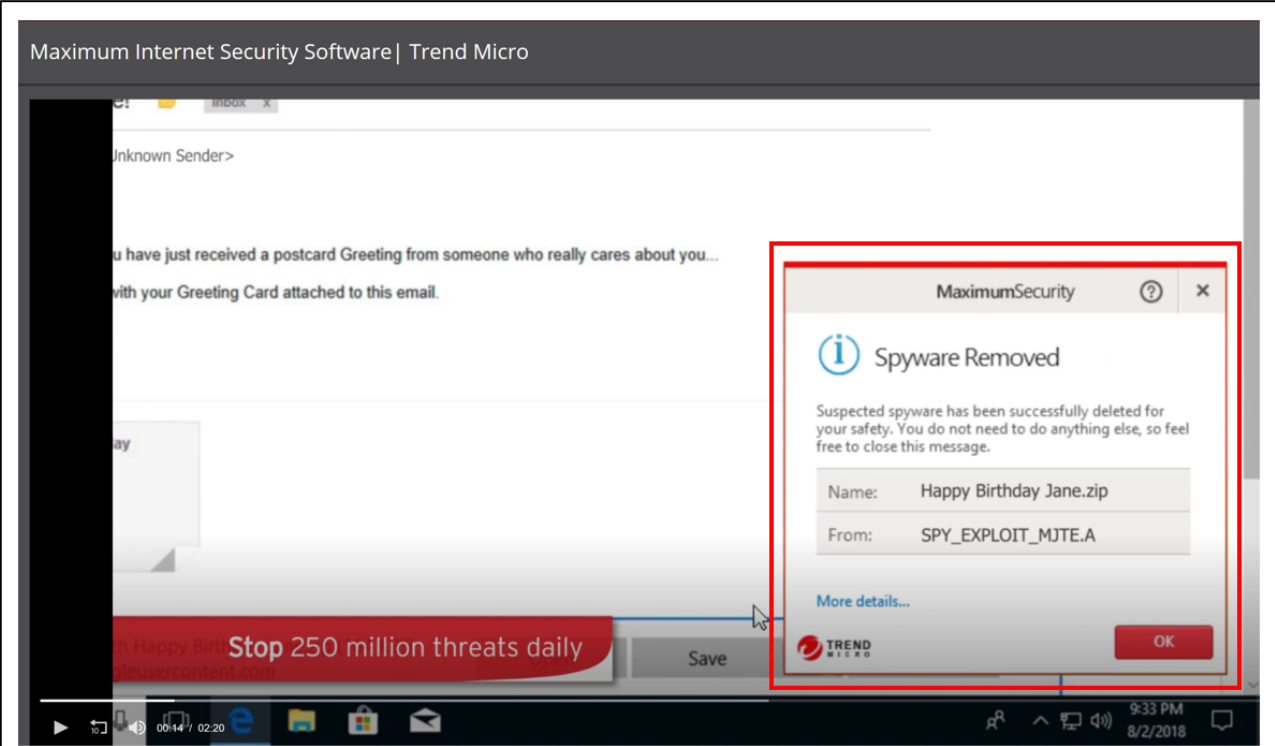
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<p>1[a] detecting an attempt by the application to write data to said storage medium;</p>	<p>Trend Micro’s software detects attempts by the application to write data to said storage medium. This attempt to write data can occur during every stage of the hostile application’s presence: (1) entry-point; (2) pre-execution; (3) runtime; and (4) exit point. The graphic below showing how Trend Micro’s software defends endpoints (e.g., the claimed “computer”) is illustrative. First, when a hostile application arrives on an endpoint via for example a network, email, or USB, the software will detect attempts to write. Second, while a hostile application is being written to the storage medium, but before execution, the software detects the attempts to write. Third, while a hostile application is running it can make attempts to write data, which the software will detect. Fourth, when a hostile application exits it can make attempts to write data, which the software will also detect.</p> <div data-bbox="697 706 1709 1383" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">How it works</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A range of layered detection capabilities, alongside investigation and response, defends the endpoint <u>through every stage</u></p> <pre> graph LR subgraph Endpoint direction LR A["Malware arrives on endpoint Network Email USB"] --> B["Entry point Browser exploit protection Device control Web reputation URL filtering"] B --> C["Written to disk Pre-execution Predictive machine learning Application control Variant protection File-level signature"] C --> D["Executed Runtime Runtime machine learning Behavioral Analysis Exploit protection In-memory script analysis"] D --> E["Malware exits: Command & Control Lateral move Exfiltration Exit point Web reputation DLP URL filtering"] end B --- IR["Investigation & Response IOC sweeping Root Cause Analysis Endpoint Isolation"] C --- IR D --- IR E --- IR </pre> <p>https://www.trendmicro.com/en_us/business/products/user-protection/sps/endpoint.html</p> </div>

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<p>1[a] detecting an attempt by the application to write data to said storage medium;</p>	<p>The remaining slides for limitation 1[a] provide examples of Trend Micro's software detecting attempts by hostile applications to write data to a storage medium in any of the four stages outlined above.</p> <p>The example on this slide shows Trend Micro's Maximum Security detecting an attempt to write by an email attachment. In the image below, the user attempts to and or downloads a zip file from an email attachment, which would cause data to be written to the storage medium. In the image on the next slide, Trend Micro's software detects that attempt to write.</p> <div data-bbox="573 654 1837 1377">  <p>Maximum Internet Security Software Trend Micro</p> <p>Happy Birthday Jane!</p> <p>Secret Admirer <Unknown Sender> to me</p> <p>Hello Jane,</p> <p>Happy Birthday! You have just received a postcard Greeting from someone who really cares about you...</p> <p>Please find zip file with your Greeting Card attached to this email.</p> <p>Love, Secret Admirer</p> <p>Happy Birthday Jane.zip 164 KB</p> <p>Download Save</p> <p>Stop 250 million threats daily</p> <p>Open Save Cancel</p> <p>https://www.trendmicro.com/en_us/forHome/products/maximum-security.html</p> </div>

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<p>1[a] detecting an attempt by the application to write data to said storage medium;</p>	<p>Trend Micro's OfficeScan and ApexOne software also include real-time scans, which detect attempts by hostile applications to write data to the computer's storage medium.</p> <div data-bbox="579 451 1675 844"> <p>Real-time Scan: Advanced Settings</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Option</th><th>Description</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Scan Trigger</td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read: Scans files whose contents are read; files are read when they are opened, executed, copied, or moved. • Write: Scans files whose contents are being written; a file's contents are written when the file is modified, saved, downloaded, or copied from another location. • Read or write </td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>https://docs.trendmicro.com/all/ent/officescan/v11.0/en-us/osce_11.0_agent_olh/scn_adv_sttng_rltm_osce_agent.html (Office Scan Agent)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="579 930 1585 1356"> <p><u>Real-time Scan</u></p> <p>Real-time Scan is a persistent and ongoing scan. <u>Each time a file is received, opened, downloaded, copied, or modified, Real-time Scan scans the file for security risks.</u> If the Security Agent does not detect a security risk, users can proceed to access the file. If the Security Agent detects a security risk or a probable virus/malware, a notification message displays indicating the name of the infected file and the specific security risk.</p> <p>Real-time Scan maintains a persistent scan cache which reloads each time the Security Agent starts. The Security Agent tracks any changes to files or folders that occurred since the Security Agent unloaded and removes these files from the cache.</p> <p>Trend Micro Apex One Administrator's Guide at 7-14</p> </div>	Option	Description	Scan Trigger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read: Scans files whose contents are read; files are read when they are opened, executed, copied, or moved. • Write: Scans files whose contents are being written; a file's contents are written when the file is modified, saved, downloaded, or copied from another location. • Read or write
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<p>1[a] detecting an attempt by the application to write data to said storage medium;</p>	<p>The following excerpt shows that Trend Micro’s Security software (Antivirus+ Security, Internet Security, and Maximum Security) also include Behavior Monitoring functionality.</p> <div data-bbox="688 467 1457 821" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="color: red; text-align: center;">Trend Micro Security 2020 for Windows Product Guide</p> <p>Trend Micro™ <u>Antivirus+ Security</u></p> <p>Trend Micro™ <u>Internet Security</u></p> <p>Trend Micro™ <u>Maximum Security</u></p> <p>Trend Micro Security 2020 for Windows Product Guide at 1.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="688 886 1780 1305" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Unauthorized Change Prevention</p> <p>Trend Micro Security includes <u>behavior monitoring</u> in its list of security protections. Unauthorized changes to system settings and other suspicious behavior can be blocked, as well as autorun programs on portable drives. Antivirus+ includes the ability to switch your protection level automatically, to aggressively eliminate programs that pose even a small risk of bad behavior. And the increased protection against ransomware that Folder Shield provides helps protect your computer and files from encryption or blocked access and the extortion that comes with ransomware. All editions of Trend Micro Security provide ransomware protection and Folder Shield.</p> <p>Trend Micro Security 2020 for Windows Product Guide at 70.</p> </div>


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<p>1[a] detecting an attempt by the application to write data to said storage medium;</p>	<p>Trend Micro's Endpoint Application Control software also detects attempts by hostile applications to write data to a computer's storage medium. Endpoint Application Control detects those attempt to prevent them from occurring. For example it detects write attempts by executables, DLLs, Windows App store apps, device drivers, controls panels, and other portable executable files.</p> <div data-bbox="659 534 1719 841" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Trend Micro Endpoint Application Control allows you to enhance your defenses against malware and targeted attacks by <u>preventing unknown and unwanted applications from executing on your corporate endpoints</u>. With a combination of flexible, dynamic policies, whitelisting and blacklisting capabilities, as well as an extensive application catalog, this easy-to-manage solution significantly reduces your endpoint attack exposure. For even greater insight into threats, user-based visibility and policy management are available in the local administration console or in the centrally-managed Trend Micro™ Control Manager™.</p> <p><small>Datasheet, Trend Micro Endpoint Application Control, at 1</small></p> </div> <div data-bbox="659 893 1304 1347" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Enhanced protection defends against malware, targeted attacks, and zero-day threats</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Prevents potential damage from unwanted or unknown applications (executables, DLLs, Windows App store apps, device drivers, control panels, and other Portable Executable (PE) files)</u> • Provides global and local real-time threat intelligence based on good file reputation data correlated across a global network <p><small>Datasheet, Trend Micro Endpoint Application Control, at 1</small></p> </div>

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<p>1[b] in response to said write attempt, attempting to retrieve a permission value from a database comprised of data elements encoding at least one permission value associated with one or more applications;</p>	<p>In response to the write attempts discussed for limitation 1[a], OfficeScan attempts to retrieve a permission value from a database comprised of data elements encoding at least one permission value associated with one or more applications. For example, the Behavior Monitoring functionality includes an exception list for approved programs and blocked programs. If a program is on the exception list as an approved program, Office Scan does not monitor that program. If a program is on the exception list as a blocked program, Office Scan blocks that program. Upon information and belief, the programs on the exception list are stored on a database that include data elements encoding permission values, e.g., approved or blocked, that are associated with the applications on the list.</p> <div data-bbox="751 657 1677 1373" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Behavior Monitoring Exception List</u></p> <p>The Behavior Monitoring exception list contains programs that the OfficeScan agent does not monitor using Behavior Monitoring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Approved Programs:</u> The OfficeScan agent allows all programs in the Approved Programs list to pass Behavior Monitoring scanning. <hr/> <p> Note</p> <p>Although Behavior Monitoring does not take action on programs added to the Approved Programs list, other scan features (such as file-based scanning) continue to scan the program before allowing the program to run.</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Blocked Programs:</u> The OfficeScan agent blocks all programs in the Blocked Programs list. To configure the Blocked Programs list, enable Event Monitoring. <div style="text-align: right; background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">9-9</div> <p>Configure the exception list from the web console. You can also grant users the privilege to configure their own exception list from the OfficeScan agent console.</p> <p>For details, see Behavior Monitoring Privileges on page 9-19.</p> <p><small>Office Scan, Service Pack 1, Administrator's Guide at 9-9, 10.</small></p> </div>

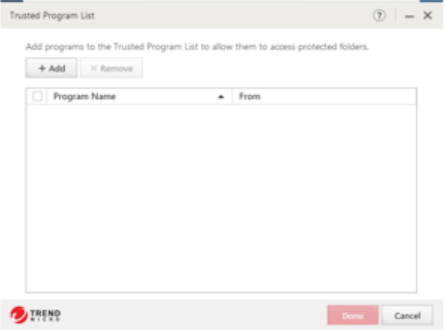
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<p>1[b] in response to said write attempt, attempting to retrieve a permission value from a database comprised of data elements encoding at least one permission value associated with one or more applications;</p>	<p>The Office Scan software also includes a Trusted Program list. Upon information and belief, the programs on that list are stored on a database that include data elements encoding permission values, e.g., trusted or not, that are associated with the applications on the list.</p> <div data-bbox="573 548 1591 872" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Trusted Program List</p> <p>You can configure OfficeScan agents to skip scanning of <u>trusted processes</u> during Real-time and Behavior Monitoring scans. After adding a program to the Trusted Programs List, the OfficeScan agent does not subject the program or any processes initiated by the program to Real-time Scan. Add trusted programs to the Trusted Program List to improve the performance of scanning on endpoints.</p> <p>Office Scan, Service Pack 1, Administrator's Guide at 9-2</p> </div>



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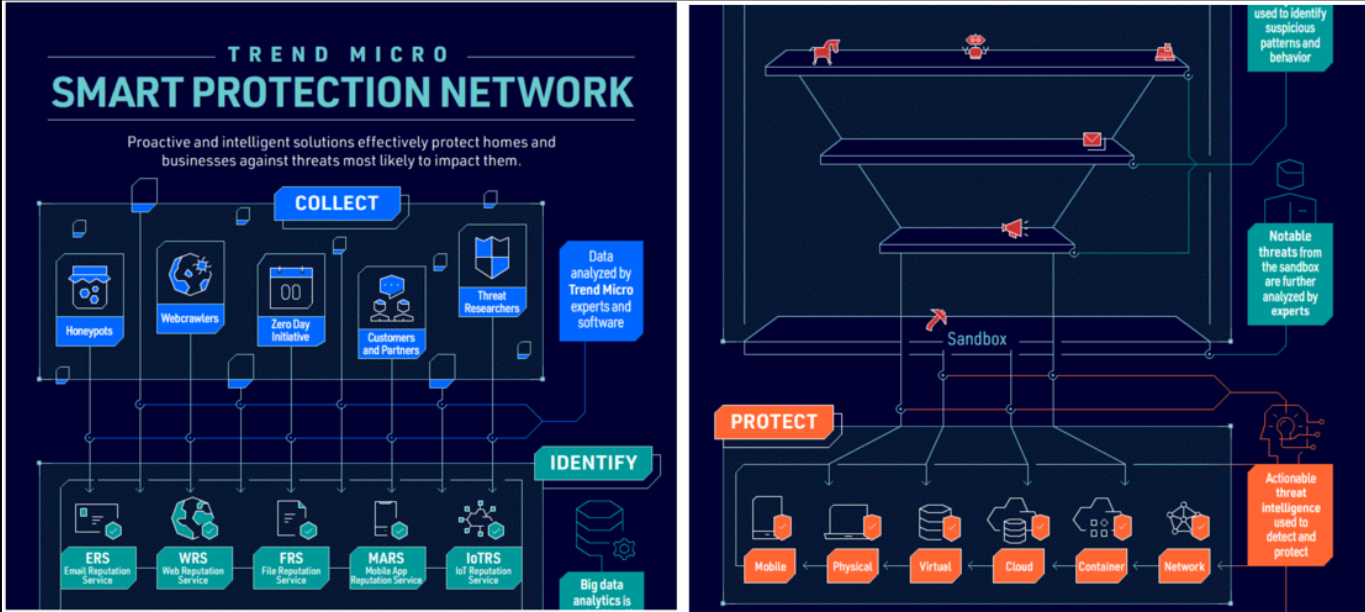
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